

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

All the claims currently pending in this application, including those not presently amended, have been reproduced below for the Examiner's convenience.

1. (Previously Presented) An image inputting apparatus comprising:
a capture section, arranged to capture an image;
a storage controller, arranged to store the captured image in memory;
a communication section, arranged to communicate with an information processing apparatus to which a printer is connected;
an inputting section, arranged to input a print request of the captured or stored image; and
a setting section, arranged to set a display property which defines image processing to be applied to an image by the information processing apparatus,
wherein said communication section transmits a print execution instruction, the captured or stored image to be printed, and the display property to the information processing apparatus when said inputting section inputs the print request.
2. (Previously Presented) The image inputting apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said image inputting apparatus is a digital still camera.

3. (Previously Presented) The image inputting apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said communication section communicates via a serial bus.

4. (Previously Presented) The image inputting apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

a display arranged to display the captured or stored image,

wherein said communication section transmits an image corresponding to the image displayed on said display as an image to be printed to the information processing apparatus.

Claim 5 (Cancelled).

6. (Previously Presented) The image inputting apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the display property is at least one of a lightness, gains of respective color components, contrast, color temperature, and gamma value.

Claim 7 (Cancelled).

8. (Previously Presented) The image inputting apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

a layout setter arranged to set a layout upon printing an image,

wherein said communication section transmits the set layout together with the image to be printed to the information processing apparatus.

9. (Previously Presented) The image inputting apparatus according to claim 8, further comprising:

a display section arranged to display a pointing cursor together with the captured or stored image, to set the layout by moving the pointing cursor using said layout setter.

10. (Previously Presented) The image inputting apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

a storage, arranged to store information indicating a plurality of template images which can be synthesized with the captured or stored image; and

a selector, arranged to select a template image to be synthesized,

wherein said communication section transmits information indicating the selected template image together with the image to be printed.

11. (Previously Presented) The image inputting apparatus according to claim 10, wherein said storage stores thumbnail images of the template images.

12. (Previously Presented) An information processing apparatus comprising:

- a communication section, arranged to receive a print execution instruction, an image to be printed, and a display property from an image inputting apparatus;
- a processor, arranged to perform image processing defined by the received display property on the received image; and
- a controller, arranged to issue a print request of the processed image and to transmit the processed image to a connected printer.

13. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 12, wherein the image inputting apparatus is a digital still camera.

14. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 12, wherein said communication section communicates via a serial bus.

Claim 15 (Cancelled).

16. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 12, wherein the image processing is at least one of luminance correction, color correction, error diffusion, dithering, gain correction in units of color components, contrast correction, and gamma correction.

Claim 17 (Cancelled).

18. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 12, wherein said processor generates image data as to the processed image in accordance with layout information received from the image inputting apparatus together with the image to be printed.

19. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 12, further comprising:

a storage arranged to store a plurality of template images which can be synthesized with an image,

wherein said processor generates image data as the processed image by synthesizing the received image with a template image which is read from said storage in accordance with information received from the image inputting apparatus together with the image to be printed.

20. (Previously Presented) A printing system comprising an image inputting apparatus and an information processing apparatus, wherein said image inputting apparatus comprises:

a capture section, arranged to capture an image;

a storage controller, arranged to store the captured image in memory;

a first communication section, arranged to with said information processing apparatus;

an inputting section, arranged to input a print request of the captured or stored image; and

a setting section, arranged to set a display property which defines image processing to be applied to an image by said information processing apparatus,

wherein said information processing apparatus comprises:

a second communication section, arranged to receive a print execution instruction, an image to be printed, and the display property from said image inputting apparatus;

a processor, arranged to perform the image processing defined by the received display property on the received image; and

a controller, arranged to a print request of the processed image and to transmit the processed image to a connected printer, and

wherein said first and second communication sections execute a communication for exchanging the print execution instruction, the image to be printed, and the display property when said inputting section inputs the print request.

21. (Previously Presented) A controlling method of an image inputting apparatus which comprises a capture section arranged to capture an image, a storage controller arranged to store the captured image in memory, and a communication section arranged to communicate with an information processing apparatus to which a printer is connected, said

method comprising the steps of:

setting a display property which defines image processing to be applied to an image by the information processing apparatus,

inputting a print request of the captured or stored image; and

transmitting a print execution instruction, the captured or stored image to be printed, and the display property to the information processing apparatus using the communication section on the basis of the print request.

22. (Previously Presented) An information processing method comprising the steps of:

receiving a print execution instruction, an image to be printed, and a display property from an image inputting apparatus;

performing image processing defined by the received display property on the received image;

issuing a print request of the processed image to a connected printer; and

transmitting the processed image to the printer.

23. (Previously Presented) A computer program product storing a computer readable medium comprising a computer program, for a controlling method of an image inputting apparatus which comprises a capture section arranged to capture an image, a storage controller arranged to store the captured image in memory, and a communication section

arranged to communicate with an information processing apparatus to which a printer is connected, said controlling method comprising the steps of:

setting a display property which defines image processing to be applied to an image by the information processing apparatus;

inputting a print request of the captured or stored image; and

transmitting a print execution instruction, the captured or stored image to be printed, and the display property to the information processing apparatus using the communication section on the basis of the print request.

24. (Previously Presented) A computer program product storing a computer readable medium comprising a computer program for an information processing method, said information processing method comprising the steps of:

receiving a print execution instruction, an image to be printed, and a display property from an image inputting apparatus;

performing image processing defined by the received display property on the received image;

issuing a print request of the processed image to a connected printer; and

transmitting the processed image to the printer.

25. (Previously Presented) The image inputting apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

an editing setter arranged to set an edit process of an image,
wherein said communication section sends edit process information indicating
the set edit process together with the image to be printed to the information processing apparatus.

26. (Previously Presented) The image inputting apparatus according to
claim 25, wherein the information processing apparatus launches a program corresponding to
contents of the edit process indicated by the received edit process information.

27. (Previously Presented) The image inputting apparatus according to
claim 25, wherein the edit process information has a digital print order format.